



Conseil des  
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## **NOTICE OF CHANGES TO EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026**

Effective July 1, 2026, municipalities **must not collect education development charges (EDCs) on behalf of the** Algonquin & Lakeshore Catholic District School Board (ALCDSB) or the Conseil des écoles publiques de l'Est de l'Ontario (CEPEO) for building permits issued on or after this date, until further notice is given. As of this date, the following EDC by-laws governing the following areas will have expired:

1. *EDC By-law Area #1:* portion of United Counties of Leeds and Grenville which includes Town of Gananoque, the Township of Leeds and The Thousand Islands, the Township of Rideau Lakes (except South Elmsley); and the Town of Westport. *The current EDC rate is \$333 per additional residential dwelling unit.*
2. *EDC By-law Area #2:* City of Kingston, the South Frontenac and the Frontenac Islands portion of the County of Frontenac (*Education Act* refers to as the Frontenac Management Board (as of January 7, 1997)). *The current EDC rate for both boards is \$966 per additional residential dwelling unit.*
3. *EDC By-law Area #3:* the portion of Lennox and Addington County that includes the Town of Greater Napanee, the Township of Loyalist including Amherst Island and the Township of Stone Mills south of Highway 7. *The current EDC rate for both boards is \$1,040 per additional residential dwelling unit.*

### **Permit Timing and Payments -**

There is no transition period.

- Permits issued **on or before June 30, 2026**, are subject to the existing EDCs noted above.
- Permits issued **on or after July 1, 2026**, are not subject to any EDCs, until the Boards give notice of the passage of a new EDC Bylaws.

This applies to all permits certified by the ALCDSB or the CEPEO and that remain unpaid as of June 30, 2026, including residential and conversion permits.

### **Interpretation of the EDC By-laws -**

**IMPORTANT:** Interpretation of the EDC By-laws rests with the school boards. ALCDSB and CEPEO staff are best positioned to interpret their By-laws, including distinctions between Education Development Charges and municipal Development Charges.

Municipalities are strongly encouraged to consult with the affected Boards before collecting or exempting EDCs. Where EDCs are collected incorrectly, or not collected when required, due to a misinterpretation of the By-law, municipalities will be expected to ensure a Board's EDC collections are made whole.

### **Administration of EDC By-laws -**

While no EDCs will be collected for ALCDSB and the CEPEO after July 1, 2026, the Boards will continue to address inquiries related to refunds, historical payments, and administrative matters as required.

ALCDSB inquiries may be directed to Mr. Bryan Davies, Controller of Plant & Planning Services (613-354-6257 ext. 441) e-mail: [davies@alcdsb.on.ca](mailto:davies@alcdsb.on.ca) during regular office hours.

CEPEO inquiries may be directed to Michèle D'Aoust, Planning Manager (613-742-8960 ext. 2297) e-mail: [michele.daoust@cepeo.on.ca](mailto:michele.daoust@cepeo.on.ca) during regular office hours.

If you have questions regarding the ALCDSB or the CEPEO EDC By-laws or their administration, please contact the individuals noted above. EDC by-law information is also available on the ALCDSB Website at: [www.alcdsb.on.ca](http://www.alcdsb.on.ca) or the CEPEO Website at [www.cepeo.on.ca](http://www.cepeo.on.ca).

Thank you for your cooperation. Please forward this notice to staff within your organization who are involved in EDC collection and permit processing.